

REMARKS

Applicant is pleased to note that the Examiner has allowed claims 1-19 and 27-40 and have objected to claims 20-26 on formal grounds only. In an effort to overcome this rejection, the claims have been amended to specify that a "force fit" rather than a "friction fit" is created between the channel and the temple.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that the application is now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance of the application are earnestly solicited.

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APPENDIX A
"Clean" Version of Each Paragraph/Section/Claim
37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(ii) and (c)(i)

CLAIMS (with indication of amended or new):

C¹ (Thrice Amended) 20. A method of attaching a side shield to a temple of an eyeglass frame, said method comprising the steps of:
placing said temple in a channel forming part of said side shield; and thereafter
creating a force fit between said channel and said temple to prevent said side shield from
moving relative to said temple.

C² (Twice Amended) 21. The method of claim 20, wherein said step of creating a force fit
between said channel and said temple comprises the step of causing relative movement between
said channel and said temple.

C³ (Thrice Amended) 22. The method of claim 20, wherein said temple has a recess formed
therein and said step of creating a force fit between said channel and said temple comprises the
step of inserting a pin into both an opening formed in said side shield and said recess.

C⁴ (Amended) 23. A method of attaching a side shield to a temple of an eyeglass frame,
said method comprising the steps of:

- (a) placing said temple in a channel forming part of said side shield; and thereafter
- (b) inserting a pin into an opening formed in said side shield such that a force fit is
obtained between said temple and said channel.